

**CLAIMS**

1. Use of botulinum toxin for the preparation of a medicament intended to prevent or to  
5 treat death rattles.
2. Use according to claim 1, characterized in that it is intended to prevent the  
occurrence of death rattles.
- 10 3. Use according to claim 1, characterized in that it is intended to treat death rattles.
4. Use according to one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the botulinum toxin used  
is chosen from botulinum toxins of type A, B, C (including C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>), D, E, F and G.
- 15 5. Use according to claim 4, characterized in that the botulinum toxin used is chosen  
from the botulinum toxins of type A, B and F.
6. Use according to claim 5, characterized in that the botulinum toxin used is chosen  
from type A and B botulinum toxins.
- 20 7. Use according to claim 6, characterized in that the botulinum toxin used is type A  
botulinum toxin.
8. Use according to one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that the prepared medicament  
25 comprises a dose of 20 to 2000 LD<sub>50</sub> units of type A botulinum toxin type A botulinum  
toxin.
9. Use according to one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the prepared medicament  
is in the form of a lyophilized powder.
- 30 10. Use according to one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the prepared  
medicament is in the form of a liquid solution ready to be injected into the patient.